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RE: Kathy Koch

Dear Ms. White:

This law firm represents LA Weight Loss in connection with the claims of Kathy Koch. We are in receipt of your letter of April 21, 1998. We are currently evaluating the claim, and we will respond shortly. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

David E. Landau

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